

Application No. 10/334,608
Amendment dated May 15, 2004
Reply to Office Action of January 15, 2004

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 48-51 remain in this application. Claims 1-47 have been cancelled.

Claims 48-51 have been added.

**Priority, Drawings/Appendix, Information Disclosure Statement, and
Specification (Pages 2-5 of the Office Action)**

Applicant respectfully requests that requirements for determination of priority, formal drawings, appendices, information disclosure statement, substitute specification, and any other formal matters be held in abeyance until a Notice of Allowance is issued.


Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 112 (Pages 5-9 of the Office Action)

Claims 48-51 are present. Claims 21, 22, and 25-47 are cancelled by this Amendment. Claims 48-51 have been added to more clearly and accurately define patentable subject matter and in response to the Examiner's claim rejections.

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Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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